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1. SUMMARY: BAHAMIAN FISHERIES RULES HAVE BEEN CHANGED TO ALLOW USE OF "FLORIDA WOODEN TRAPS" IN CRAWFISHING. THE PRACTICE OF SUBMITTING BULK CONSIGNMENTS FOR INSPECTION AND PAYMENT OF FEES IN MIAMI AND WEST PALM BEACH FLORIDA IS BEING DISCONTINUED.

2. GCOB HAS ANNOUNCED THAT THE FISHERIES RULES HAVE BEEN AMENDED TO ALLOW USE OF TRAPS TO CAPTURE CRAWFISH "SO AS TO INCREASE THE CATCH SIGNIFICANTLY". FISHERMEN MUST OBTAIN A PERMIT FROM THE MINISTRY OF DEVELOPMENT TO USE "FLORIDA WOODEN SLAT TRAPS". MAXIMUM SIZE OF TRAPS IS THREE FOOT LENGTH, TWO FEET WIDE AND TWO FEET HEIGHT WITH SLATS AT LEAST ONE INCH APART. ALL TRAPS AND BUOYS MUST DISPLAY THE ASSIGNED PERMIT NUMBER.

3. CRAWFISH EXPORTERS MUST ALSO OBTAIN LICENSES. THE MINISTER OF DEVELOPMENT HAS DESIGNATED CERTAIN PORTS (NAMES NOT YET AVAILABLE) THROUGH WHICH OUTGOING CONSIGNMENTS MUST BE

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CLEARED. THE PRACTICE OF SUBMITTING BULK CONSIGNMENTS FOR

INSPECTION AND PAYMENT OF FEES IN MIAMI, AND WEST PALM BEACH, FLORIDA IS BEING DISCONTINUED. ALL EXPORTS MUST BE CLEARED THROUGH BAHAMIAN CUSTOMS WITHIN THE BAHAMAS WHETHER OR NOT THE CONSIGNMENT IS TO BE EXPORTED BY PRIVATE CARRIER OR THROUGH NORMAL FREIGHT CHANNELS. EXPORTERS MUST PAY CUSTOMS AN INSPECTION FEE OF 57 CENTS PER 100 CRAWFISH AT TIME OF EXPORT. THE GOVERNMENT RELEASE STATES THAT A RECEIPT FOR PAYMENT OF THAT FEE PLUS A VALIDATED "EXPORT ENTRY" WILL BE USED WITH U.S. ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES AS PROOF THAT THE CONSIGNMENT WAS EXPORTED LEGALLY FROM THE BAHAMAS.

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